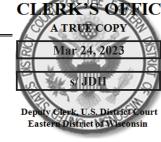
## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the Eastern District of Wisconsin



In the Matter of the Search of:

| the cellular telephone assigned call numbers 262-389-0018,  |
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| 262-364-4059 and 414-335-6028 that is stored at the premises controlled by Verizon wireless, a wireless |
| telephone service provider headquartered at 180 Washington  |
| Valley Rd, Bedminster, NJ 07921.  |

Case No. 23-M-351 (SCD)

#### SEARCH AND SEIZURE WARRANT

To: Any authorized law enforcement officer

An application by a federal law enforcement officer or an attorney for the government requests the search of the following person or property over which the Court has jurisdiction pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Sections 2703 and 2711:

See Attachment A

I find that the affidavit(s) or any recorded testimony, establish probable cause to search and seize the person or property described above and that such search will reveal:

See Attachment B

| 4-7-23  |                                       |
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| YOU ARE COMMANDED to execute this warrant ON OR BEFORE  | (not to exceed 14 days)               |
| □ in the daytime between 6:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. X at any time in the day or night became  | nuse good cause has been established. |
| Unless delayed notice is authorized below, you must give a copy of the warrant and a receipt person from whom, or from whose premises, the property was taken, or leave the copy and reproperty was taken.  | 1 1                                   |
| The officer executing this warrant, or an officer present during the execution of the warrant, is by law and promptly return this warrant and inventory to <u>Honorable Stephen C. Dries</u> (United States Magistrate Judge)   | must prepare an inventory as required |
| □ Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3103a(b), I find that immediate notification may have an adverse § 2705 (except for delay of trial), and authorize the officer executing this warrant to delay no property, will be searched or seized (check the appropriate box)  □ for days (not to exceed 30) □ until, the facts justifying, the later specification. | tice to the person who, or whose      |
| Date and time issued:  3-24-23 8:40 am  Judge's signa   |                                       |

| AO 93 (mod. 5/14) Search and Seizure Warrant         |  |   |  |
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|  |  | Printed name and title                              |  |
| Subscribed, sworn to, and returned                   | before me this date:                   |   |  |
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|  | <del></del>                            | United States Magistrate Judge                      |  |

## **ATTACHMENT A**

## **Property to Be Searched**

Records and information associated with the cellular telephone assigned call number 262-389-0018, the cellular telephone assigned call number 262-364-4059 and cellular telephone assigned call number 414-335-6028 (referred to in attachment B as "the Accounts"), that is stored at the premises controlled by Verizon wireless, a wireless telephone service provider headquartered at 180 Washington Valley Rd, Bedminster, NJ 07921.

#### ATTACHMENT B

## Particular Things to be Seized

#### I. Information to be Disclosed by the Provider

To the extent that the information described in Attachment A is within the possession, custody, or control of the Service Provider, including any information that has been deleted but is still available to the Service Provider or that has been preserved pursuant to a request made under 18 U.S.C. § 2703(f), the Service Provider is required to disclose to the government the following information pertaining to the Accounts listed in Attachment A for the following dates: October 25, 2022 through March 13, 2023:

- A. The following information about the customers or subscribers of the Accounts:
  - 1. Names (including subscriber names, user names, and screen names);
  - 2. Addresses (including mailing addresses, residential addresses, business addresses, and e-mail addresses);
  - 3. Local and long distance telephone connection records;
  - 4. Records of session times and durations, and the temporarily assigned network addresses (such as Internet Protocol ("IP") addresses) associated with those sessions:
  - 5. Length of service (including start date) and types of service utilized;
  - 6. Telephone or instrument numbers (including MAC addresses, Electronic Serial Numbers ("ESN"), Mobile Electronic Identity Numbers ("MEIN"), Mobile Equipment Identifier ("MEID"); Mobile Identification Number ("MIN"), Subscriber Identity Modules ("SIM"), Mobile Subscriber Integrated Services Digital Network Number ("MSISDN"); International Mobile Subscriber Identity Identifiers ("IMSI"), or International Mobile Equipment Identities ("IMEI");
  - 7. Other subscriber numbers or identities (including the registration Internet Protocol ("IP") address); and

- 8. Means and source of payment for such service (including any credit card or bank account number) and billing records.
- В. All records and other information (not including the contents of communications) relating to wire and electronic communications sent or received by the Account, including:
  - 1. the date and time of the communication, the method of the communication, and the source and destination of the communication (such as the source and destination telephone numbers (call detail records), email addresses, and IP addresses); and
  - 2. information regarding the cell tower and antenna face (also known as "sectors") through which the communications were sent and received, as well as per-call measurement data.
  - 3. per call measurement and timing advance data (PCMD, RTT, True Call, NELOS, or similar)

#### II. Information to be Seized by the Government

All information described above in Section I that constitutes evidence of violations of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1951 (Hobbs Act), Title 18, United States Code, Section 924(c) (use of a firearm during a crime of violence), and Title 18, United States Code, Section 371 (conspiracy), involving HUSSEIN HAJI, JESSIE COOK, and HURIA ABU, during the period of October 25, 2022, through March 13, 2023.

Law enforcement personnel (who may include, in addition to law enforcement officers and agents, attorneys for the government, attorney support staff, agency personnel assisting the government in this investigation, and outside technical experts under government control) are authorized to review the records produced by the Service Provider to locate the things particularly described in this Warrant.

# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

Deputy Clerk, U.S. District Cou Eastern District of Wisconsin

for the Eastern District of Wisconsin

In the Matter of the Search of:

the cellular telephone assigned call numbers 262-389-0018, 262-364-4059 and 414-335-6028 that is stored at the premises Case No. 23-M-351 (SCD)

| provider headquartered at 180 Washington Valley Rd, Bedminster, NJ 07921.   | )<br>)<br>)   |  |  |  |
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| APPLICATION FOR A SEARCH WARRANT  |   |  |  |  |
| I, a federal law enforcement officer or an attorney for the gover perjury that I have reason to believe that on the following person or pro   |   |  |  |  |
| See Attachment A  |   |  |  |  |
| over which the Court has jurisdiction pursuant to Title 18, United States   | Code, Sections 2703 and 2711, there is now concealed: |  |  |  |
| See Attachment B  | *   |  |  |  |
| The basis for the search under Fed. R. Crim P. 41(c) is:  ⊠ evidence of a crime;  □ contraband, fruits of crime, or other items illegally possessed □ property designed for use, intended for use, or used in comm □ a person to be arrested or a person who is unlawfully restrain | itting a crime;                                       |  |  |  |
| The search is related to violations of:   |   |  |  |  |
| 18 U.S.C. 1951(a) – Hobbs Act Robbery 18 U.S.C. 924(c) – Brandishing of a firearm during a crime of violence 18 U.S.C. 371 - Conspiracy   |   |  |  |  |
| The application is based on these facts: See attached affidavit.  |   |  |  |  |
| ☐ Delayed notice of days (give exact ending date if more that under 18 U.S.C. § 3103a, the basis of which is set forth on the attack  |   |  |  |  |

Heather Wright, Special Agent, FBI

Printed Name and Title

Sworn to before me and signed via telephone:

3-24-23 Date:

City and State: Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Judge's signature

Honorable Stephen C. Dries , U.S. Magistrate Judge

Printed Name and Title

#### **AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF**

## AN APPLICATION FOR A SEACH WARRANT

I, Heather N. Wright, being first duly sworn on oath, on information and belief state:

#### I. INTRODUCTION, BACKGROUND, TRAINING, AND EXPERIENCE:

- 1. I make this affidavit in support of an application for a search warrant for information associated with a certain cellular telephone's assigned call number:
  - a. (262) 389-0018 ("Target Phone #1"), that is stored at the premises controlled by Verizon wireless, a wireless telephone service provider headquartered at 180 Washington Valley Rd, Bedminster, NJ 07921.
  - b. (262) 364-4059 ("Target Phone #2"), that is stored at the premises controlled by Verizon wireless, a wireless telephone service provider headquartered at 180 Washington Valley Rd, Bedminster, NJ 07921.
  - c. (414) 335-6028 ("Target Phone #3"), that is stored at the premises controlled by Verizon Wireless, a wireless telephone service provider headquartered at 180 Washington Valley Rd, Bedminster, NJ 07921
- 2. Verizon Wireless will be referred to as the "Service Provider." The information to be searched is described in the following paragraphs and in Attachment A. This affidavit is made in support of an application for a search warrant under 18 U.S.C. § 2703(c)(1)(A) to require the Service Provider to disclose to the government copies of the information further described in Section I of Attachment B. Upon receipt of the information described in Section I of Attachment B, government-authorized persons will review the information to locate items described in Section II of Attachment B.

- 3. I am a Special Agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and have been since July of 2010. Since August of 2020, I have been assigned to the FBI's Milwaukee Area Violent Crimes Task Force, a multi-jurisdictional law enforcement entity charged with investigating violations of federal law, including bank robberies, commercial robberies, armed motor vehicle robberies, and other violent crime matters, defined under Title 18 of the United States Code. I have been trained in a variety of investigative and legal matters, including the topics of Fourth Amendment searches, the drafting of search warrant affidavits, and probable cause. I have participated in criminal investigations, surveillance, search warrants, interviews, and debriefs of arrested subjects. As a result of this training and investigative experience, I have learned how and why violent actors typically conduct various aspects of their criminal activities.
- 4. Based upon my training and experience, I know that criminal investigations have been aided by subpoenas, warrants, and court orders related to electronic communication records by providing critical investigative leads and corroborative evidence.
- 5. To this end, based upon my training and experience, I know that individuals involved in violent crimes use cellular telephones to maintain contact with co-conspirators aurally or via electronic message in "text" format. I also know that it is common for suspects who commit violent crimes to take, or cause to be taken, photographs and other visual depictions of themselves, their associates, and the illegal proceeds and firearms that they control or possess.
- 6. The facts in this affidavit come from my personal observations, my training and experience, and information obtained from other Agents, law enforcement personnel and witnesses. This affidavit is intended to show merely that there is sufficient probable cause for the requested warrant and does not set forth all of my knowledge about this matter.

7. Based on my training and experience and the facts as set forth in this affidavit, there is probable cause to believe that HUSSEIN HAJI (DOB XX/XX/2001), hereafter "HAJI," HURIA H. ABU (DOB: XX/XX/2002), hereinafter "ABU," and JESSIE COOK (DOB: XX/XX/2003), hereinafter "COOK," committed multiple armed robberies of a United States Postal workers between October 25, 2022 through March 14, 2023 in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1951(a) (Hobbs Act Robbery), 924(c) (Brandishing of a firearm during a crime of violence), and 371 (Conspiracy). I further submit that there is probable cause to believe that evidence of HAJI, ABU, COOK, and others' involvement in the robberies will be recovered in the records that are sought herein.

#### II. PROBABLE CAUSE

8. On October 25, 2022, the Milwaukee Police Department responded to an armed robbery complaint at 2650 N. Martin Luther King Drive, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Upon arrival, officers spoke with the victim, identified as a United States Postal mail carrier, hereinafter referred to as D.D. D.D. stated that he had been conducting his route at approximately 2:30 P.M., and was about to start at 2500 N. Richards Street, when he was approached by four young males. D.D. described Subject #1 as possibly a Hispanic male, approximately 19 years old. D.D. stated that Subject #1 and three other males, approached him from behind and demanded that he "give up his shit." D.D. stated that he heard one of the subjects say that they had a gun to his back. D.D. stated that he told the subjects that he was not going to give them anything and quickly turned around to face the attackers, fearing that one of them may have a gun. D.D. stated that he did not observe any of the subjects with a firearm and immediately took a fighting stance. Three of the subjects ran away, while Subject #1 stayed and took a fighting stance as well. D.D stated that as Subject #1 attempted to punch D.D., D.D. attempted to punch Subject #1. D.D. stated that he was unsure if his punch made contact with Subject #1, however, Subject #1 staggered back and ran away. D.D. stated that Subject #1 ran eastbound and eventually northbound towards the alley, D.D. stated that he chased after Subject #1, however, he lost sight of Subject #1 and returned to his vehicle. D.D. stated that when he returned to his vehicle, he was unable to find his USPS issued Arrow key that had been hanging around his neck on a lanyard.

- On January 28, 2023, a photo array was presented to D.D. with the target of the 9. photo array as JESSIE L. COOK (dob: XX/XX/2003). D.D. identified COOK as the individual that had demanded his things and attacked D.D. on October 25, 2022.
- 10. On December 7, 2022, the Milwaukee Police Department responded to 3205 N. Breman Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, for an armed robbery of a United States postal mail carrier, hereinafter referred to as E.V. E.V. stated that at approximately 3:00 p.m., he had just finished delivering mail to 3219 N. Breman Avenue and was walking south towards the next block when he passed two subjects who were walking northbound on the west sidewalk. E.V. stated that after they had passed, he could hear running footsteps approaching him from behind and he turned around. The same two subjects that had just passed him, ran up to him and one had a gun pointed at him.
- 11. E.V. stated that Suspect #1 said "Gimme everything...gimme everything...gimme everything," while pointing a small framed semi-automatic hand gun at him. E.V. stated that he provided his ID and keys that were on a lanyard around his neck as well as the mail in his hands. E.V. stated that the key fob for the postal van as well as his arrow key were on the key ring that was provided. The Arrow key was specifically assigned to E.V. that day and can open the blue mail boxes and some boxes at apartment buildings. E.V. stated that the serial number for the key provided was #30411. E.V. stated that Subject #2 took the ID with the keys attached but dropped

the mail E.V. had handed to him. E.V. stated that he attempted to hand the Subjects his mail bag because it had scanned devices within the bag that could be GPS located, however, the subjects were not interested and were only interested in the lanyard and keys. E.V stated that he then ran to a corner bar for safety and called the police. E.V stated that the subjects ran southbound and heard a car squeal off in a hurry.

- 12. Shortly after the incident, a witness approached him and told him that he saw the suspects get into a white Nissan Murano. That particular witness could not stay on scene, however, an additional witness also came forward and stated that they had observed the robbery and corroborated that she, too, had observed the suspects enter a white Nissan Murano.
- 13. A canvas for video surveillance was completed and video surveillance from a Ring doorbell was obtained at 3219 N. Breman Street. After a review of the video, Subject #1 was observed to be a black, male, late teens, approximately 5'10", thin build, dark completed, wearing a black hoody, black mask (above eyes showing), light gray pants, black shoes, armed with a black semi-automatic handgun. Suspect #2 was observed to be a black, male, late teens, approximately 6'0" tall, thin build, medium complexion, wearing a black hoody, black mask (above eyes showing), black pants, white shoes, unknown if armed.
- 14. On January 25, 2023, a state residential search warrant related to a drug investigation was executed at 2519 N. Buffum Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Prior to the execution, two black males, and two black females were observed leaving the residence in a blue Toyota Camry. Shortly thereafter and just prior to the warrant execution, the blue Toyota returned with two of the four individuals inside. When officers approached the vehicle, they identified the individuals as MARVIN TURNER (dob: XX/XX/2000) and HUSSEIN A. HAJI (dob: XX/XX/2001. Officers then executed the search warrant and identified HURIA H. ABU (dob:

XX/XX/2002), JESSIE L. COOK (dob: XX/XX/2001), AMAURIE D. SMITH (dob: XX/XX/2005) as well as two females who were not residents of the house, hereinafter "S. J". and "S. W.". A search of the residence resulted in the recovery of a Glock 19 handgun (stolen out of Cudahy), a loaded Ruger P95 handgun, a loaded Ruger PC Charger carbine pistol, a loaded AK 7.62 cal pistol, which matched the description of the firearm used in the December 7, 2022 robbery, a GSG rifle upper with mock silencer, hundreds of pieces (approximately 900 checks) of stolen mail including personal and commercial checks from Milwaukee, Shorewood, Brookfield, Brown Deer, as well as others, checks currently being "washed" in acetone, keys on a bed located in a bedroom that unlocked a safe which contained 7K, a set of USPS keys, and 19 cellular telephones. Both Arrow keys stolen in the October 25, 2022 and December 7, 2022 robberies were recovered. Officers also located keys for a Nissan Murano that unlocked a white Nissan Murano parked outside the residence and matched the vehicle description used in the October 25, 2022 and the December 7, 2022 robberies.

- Following the arrests of HAJI, COOK, ABU, SMITH and TURNER, inteviews 15. were conducted. During the interview of COOK, COOK stated to Detectives that he was the primary user of the Nissan Murano located at the residence during the execution of the search warrant. COOK admitted to being involved in the robbery of the postal carrier on October 25, 2022. COOK stated that COOK was the individual that punched the postal carrier during the robber, however, COOK would not state why the mail carrier was targeted or who he was with during the robbery. COOK stated to detectives that he was the owner of a Samsung Galaxy 20 black cellular phone with telephone number 262-389-0018 (Target Phone #1).
- 16. During the interview of HAJI, HAJI stated to Detectives that he was the owner of an Apple purple iPhone 14 and a yellow colored Apple iPhone XR with the telephone number 262-

364-4059 (Target Phone #2). HAJI stated that his service provider is T-Mobile and that he has had that cellular number for a couple of months. During the interview, HAJI admitted to Detectives that he had participated in the robbery of the mail carrier that had occurred on December 7, 2022. HAJI stated that ABU was the driver and that COOK had the gun and pointed it at the white mail carrier. HAJI stated that they used the Nissan Murano and that HAJI was the individual that took the arrow key from the mail carrier. HAJI also admitted to Detectives that they were after the specific arrow key that mail carriers carry during the robbery. HAJI stated that HAJI, COOK, and ABU participate in "mail runs", which are when a person removes mail from mailboxes. HAJI stated that he has participated in approximately 40 mail runs in at least four different vehicles. HAJI stated that the target of the mail runs are personal checks and that they sell them after they are located. HAJI stated that one of the methods of payment when selling the checks is CashApp.

- 17. During the interview of S. J., S.J. stated that she had only been to the house on Buffum twice and that she had seen guns in the house. S.J. stated that she had seen approximately four guns. S.J. stated that she heard SMITH and others talking about a robbery and that S.J. believed they were talking about the robbery of a mailman. S.J. raised her hands up simulating holding a gun and stated that he said "nigga up" or something like that.
- 18. During the interview of S.W. stated that ABU, COOK and HAJI do "mail runs" in the morning. S.W. sated that she believed that they get checks out of the mail using the arrow key obtained by the postman. S.W. did not know who robbed the mail person to get the key but she believed that ABU, COOK, and HAJI were the ones that did the robbery because they were the ones who do the mail runs. S.W. stated that ABU, COOK, and HAJI take pictures of the checks but she was unsure if it was before or after they put the checks in acetone. S.W. stated that SMITH

had been involved with ABU, COOK and HAJI lately and had been riding in vehicles and doing the "check stuff" with them. S.W. stated that SMITH had been staying on the couch at the house.

- 19. On February 10, 2023, the Milwaukee Police Department responded to an armed robbery that had occurred near 5273 N. 27th Street, Milwaukee, at approximately 11:40 A.M. The victim was identified as a United States Postal carrier, hereinafter referred to as N.M. N.M. stated that N.M. had been working mail route 88, had parked his mail vehicle near 2626 W. Rhor, and walked to the door to deliver the mail. N.M. stated that as he began to approach the residence of 5273 N. 27<sup>th</sup> Street from the north, he walked onto the small porch to place mail into the boxes. N.M. stated that he then observed three subjects come from the backyard (from the west of where he was) and surrounded him as he was on the porch. N.M. stated that he was somewhat trapped due to the railings on the porch and the three subjects surrounding him. N.M. stated that he had the ring of apartment keys in one pocket of his outer most garment and the chain was exposed across his jacket leading to the Arrow key that was in the opposite pocket of his jacket,
- 20. N.M. described Subject #1 as a black male, approximately 22-27 years old, over 6'0" tall, medium brown complexion, wearing a black ski mask covering his head, face and neck, with his eyes exposed, aviator sunglasses with plastic frames and gray/black lenses, a black hooded sweatshirt, dark jeans, unknown shoes, armed with a black Glock 9mm handgun with an extended magazine. N.M described Subject #2 as a black, male, approximately 22-27 years old, over 6'0" tall, medium brown complexion, wearing a black ski mask covering his head, face and neck with his eyes exposed, "beach style" square sunglasses, black hooded sweatshirt, dark blue jeans, unknown shoes, armed with a black Glock 9mm handgun with a tan extended magazine and switch attached to the back of the gun. N.M. stated that N.M. knew the term "switch" to be an added part on a gun that makes the firearm fully automatic. N.M. described Suspect #3 as a black, male,

approximately 22-27 years old, over 6'0" tall, medium brown complexion, wearing a black ski mask covering his head, face and neck, with his eyes exposed, a black hooded sweatshirt, dark jeans, unknown shoes, armed with a black Glock 9mm handgun with an extended magazine.

- 21. N.M. stated that Suspect #1 was armed with a gun which he held at his side when he demanded N.M.'s keys. N.M. stated that N.M. stated that he held up his hands while Suspect #1 grabbed the chain that was exposed outside on his jacket and took N.M. keys. N.M. stated that Suspect #2 approached him. Suspect #2 then used Suspect #2's gun to push up the brim of N.M.'s hat and asked N.M. what else he had. N.M. stated that he told the suspect that he didn't have anything else. N.M. stated that Suspect #3 did not say anything to him or touch him, but was armed with a gun in his waistband and positioned himself with the other two Subjects. N.M. stated that after the suspects obtained N.M.'s keys, all three suspects fled on foot in the same direction as they had approached. N.M. stated that he heard car doors opening and a vehicle drive away but he did not look into the alley to obtain a vehicle description nor which direction they fled.
- 22. A canvas for surveillance video was conducted and Ring video was located at 5248 N. 27<sup>th</sup> Street as well as surveillance video from 2800 W. Custer Ave. During the collection of the Ring video, officers were able to observe at 11:41AM, a white 2007-2012, 4 door, Nissan Altima driving southbound through the alley at a high rate of speed. The vehicle had tinted windows (including front window brow only), a sunroof, side window deflectors, six spoke aluminum rims (split spokes), damage to rear passenger bumper/quarter panel, damage to front passenger quarter panel, dual exhaust, and front and rear unknown registration plates. During a review of the surveillance video obtained from 2800 W. Custer, Officers observed the white Nissan Altima approach the alley at 11:38 A.M., from the west and drive southbound in the alley. Multiple

suspects can be observed exiting the vehicle and proceed towards where the victim was robbed. The white Nissan continues southbound in the alley following the incident.

- On February 13, 2023, at approximately 2:52 PM., a law enforcement member of 23. the Milwaukee Area Violent Crimes Task Force (MAVCTF) observed a vehicle matching the above description driving west on North Avenue from 73<sup>rd</sup> Street. The vehicle was a 2010 Nissan Altima 4 door (WI plate AJF-7039). The vehicle subsequently pulled into the Brother's Plus Grocery Store located at 4020 W. North Avenue. Task Force Officers (TFOs) observed a thin black male with shoulder length dreads exit the vehicle's front passenger door and enter the business. The subject was wearing a black T-shirt, camouflage pants, and white/black shoes. The subject then exited the store ad re-entered the Altima's front passenger door. TFO Strasser obtained a short video of the subject during the course of the surveillance.
- The vehicle was then observed driving to and parking in the rear 2225 N. 35<sup>th</sup> Street. 24. Task Force Officers were able to run the plate and noted that the vehicle listed to ABDI BABA (dob: XX/XX/1998), with an address of 2303 W. Cherry Street. This same vehicle was observed via a law enforcement camera system at West Silver Spring Drive and North Green Bay Avenue on February 10, 2023, at 11:08 A.M. The robbery occurred on February 10, 2023, at approximately 11:41 A.M and is 0.9 miles away from the West Silver Spring Drive and North Green Bay Avenue intersection.
- 25. Task Force Officers were aware that there were several armed robberies of US Postal Carriers of their arrow keys in recent months and that a search warrant had been executed on January 27, 2023, Task Force Officers were also aware that following the search warrant, several subjects were taken into custody and released, including HURIA H. ABU. ABU had been interviewed by MAVCTF TFO Brendan Dolan following his arrest while in custody. TFO Dolan

was shown the short video clip of the surveillance of the subject that was observed getting in and out of the Nissan Altima. TFO Dolan was able to identify the subject as ABU, based on his prior interactions with him.

- 26. On February 14, 2023, a state search warrant was obtained for a GPS tracker in order to identify location information for the 2010 Nissan Altima 4 door (WI plate AJF-7039), identified by law enforcement as the suspect vehicle in the February 10, 2023, armed robbery. On Friday March 3, 2023, a GPS was attached to the vehicle and the GPS began providing location information. Along with Officers observing and locating the vehicle at 2303 W. Cherry Street in order to place the GPS onto the vehicle, during the monitoring of the GPS, Task Force Officers have observed the vehicle and monitored the vehicle's GPS location at the Cherry Street address on numerous occasions.
- On March 13, 2023, Law Enforcement members of the MAVCTF and Milwaukee Police Officers responded to an armed robbery of a United States Postal mail carrier near 4548 N. 38<sup>th</sup> Street, Milwaukee. The victim, identified and hereinafter referenced as M.P., stated that at approximately 1:00 p.m., he parked his truck at 4501 N. 38<sup>th</sup> Street on the west side of the street, facing south. M.P. stated that while delivering mail at 4514 N. 38<sup>th</sup> Street, he observed two black males suspects on the west side of the street walking southbound. M.P. stated that the two seemed suspicious because they had masks on. M.P. stated that the two suspects walked past his truck, then walked in front of his truck eastbound. The suspects then went north on the east side of N. 38<sup>th</sup> Street. M.P. stated that he later observed them duck by the houses near 4518 N. 38<sup>th</sup> Street while he was further north delivering mail.
- 28. M.P. stated that when he got near 4548 N. 38<sup>th</sup> Street, he observed the two suspects running at him. M.P. described suspect #1 as a black, male, approximately 16 years old,

approximately 5'4", short, thin build, wearing a dark royal blue coat, black running pants, armed with a Draco styled gun with a wooden stock. M.P. described Suspect #2 as a black, male, approximately 6'0" tall, light complected, wearing a black jacket and black jogging pants. M.P. stated that one of them stated "don't run now bitch." M.P. stated that Suspect #1 pointed the gun at his head and said, "Give me the keys. Give me the keys. I'll shoot you." M.P. stated that they tried grabbing his keys from the right side of him, but they were on a lanyard. M.P. stated that he told them that the keys were on a lanyard so they unclipped them and ran northbound from the location and continued eastbound on W. Glendale.

- 29. A witness to the incident, hereinafter P.M., stated that she heard talking outside and looked out her front window and observed the mailman running. She stated that she got up to the storm door and observed two suspects, one of which had a gun pointed at the mailman and was wearing a blue coat. P.M. stated that she heard the mailman say "ok..ok" but did not hear what the suspects were saying. P.M. stated that she then grabbed her three-year-old nephew and pulled him to the ground for fear that shots would be fired. P.M. stated that she waited for the suspects to leave and called the police.
- 30. Video surveillance was obtained from the Hopkins Food Mart located at 4601 N. Hopkins street, Milwaukee. The cameras were located on the south side of the business and the east side of the business. MACTF investigators observed a 2009 silver Honda Civic with front and rear plates, no sunroof, damage to front driver's quarter panel, 7 spoke hubcaps, broken front driver hubcap, with the front passenger inner headlight on (others defective), circling the block and fleeing the area of the robbery, just after it took place.

- 31. An attempt to identify the vehicle was conducted by querying FLOCK and ALPR cameras in the area with a similar suspect vehicle description. A hit on a 2009 Honda Civic 4 door, WI plate ABG-8200, was obtained at several times on March 13, 2023 at the following locations:
  - a. 16:26 21 SWE W. Fond Du Lac at Capital Ave.
  - 13:36 #01 N/B Port Washington @ Hampton Ave
  - 12:19 #10 MLK & W North S/B
  - d. 11:42 25 S/B N. Sherman at W Hampton
  - e. 8:33 07 S/B N. 35<sup>th</sup> Street at W. Wisconsin
- 32. The vehicle listed to a Mohammed F. Omar (dob: 01/01/1990) of 1809 W. McKinley Avenue, Milwaukee.
- 33. A Milwaukee Police database query was then done for the Wisconsin plate ABG-8200. A call for service regarding a subject with a gun and shots fired was received on January 2, 2023 near North Buffum Street and East Wright Street. A second caller then called and reported that her house had been struck by gunfire at 2513 N. Buffum Street. Officers responded and ran all vehicles in the area including a silver 2009 Honda Civic, WI plate ABG-8200, which was parked in front of 2519 N. Buffum Street (next door to 2513 N. Buffum, and also struck by the gunfire) when officers arrived. A body camera review of the responding officer was reviewed by investigators and the 2009 silver Honda was also observed driving by the officer at 10:42 a.m. on January 2, 2023.
- 34. On March 14, 2023, an offline search of the 2009 Honda Civic, WI plate ABG-8200 was done and on December 19, 2023, the vehicle was run by Whitefish Bay Police Department. Your affiant contacted Whitefish Bay Police Department on March 14, 2023 and confirmed with Whitefish Bay Detective Joe McLeod that the vehicle was traffic stopped on

December 19, 2023 at 9:48 p.m., at the intersection of Santa Monica and W. Silver Spring Drive in Whitefish Bay, for speeding, driving without a license, and failure to stop at a stop sign. The driver of the vehicle was identified as HURIA H. ABU, dob: XX/XX/2002. ABU provided Whitefish Bay with a home address of 2519 N. Buffum Street. During a review of the body cam of Whitefish Bay officers during the traffic stop, ABU can be observed speaking with officers in the driver's seat of the vehicle. During the interaction, ABU was observed holding a cellular telephone with a red case. ABU provided officer's with the cellular telephone in order to provide a photo of his identification card. Again, the cellular telephone can be seen being handed to the Whitefish Bay officer by ABU in a red case. The cellular telephone is then handed back to ABU by the officer. ABU also provided officer's with his home address of 2519 N. Buffum Street in Milwaukee.

- 35. During the execution of the search warrant at 2519 N. Buffum Street, Milwaukee, on January 25, 2023, investigators seized a cellular telephone with a red case along with (18) additional cellular phones. On February 2, 2023, investigators obtained a state search warrant for (18) of the (19) phones recovered (COOK provided consent for his cellular telephone). During the review of the phone download's, investigator's were able to confirm the assigned telephone number's of HAJI and TURNER's phone as provided by both. Investigator's were also able to determine ABU's assigned telephone number as 414-335-6028 (Target Phone #3) via the SIM card associated with the cellular telephone with the red case.
- 36. Target Phone #1 number, 262-389-0018, Target Phone #2, 262-364-4059, and Target Phone #3, 414-335-6028, were determined to be associated to the Service Provider, Verizon Wireless.

- 37. Following the arrest of COOK, ABU, SMITH, TURNER, and HAJI, on January 25, 2023, only COOK and HAJI were held in state custody. All others were released and on February 10, 2023, the next robbery of a USPS mail carrier for his arrow key occurred. The suspect vehicle in that robbery was the 2010 Nissan Altima 4 door (WI plate AJF-7039) registered to BABA who is associated to ABU. ABU was observed on February 13, 2023, exiting the Altima during a law enforcement surveillance. The suspect vehicle of the USPS postal carrier on March 13, 2023 was identified as a 2009 Honda Civic 4 door, WI plate ABG-8200. ABU was stopped by Whitefish Bay Police Department on December 19, 2022, driving this suspect vehicle. Your affiant is requesting the following information based on the information provided and the association with ABU, HAJI, COOK, and SMITH, with conspiracy, mail fraud, wire fraud and the Hobbs Act robberies involving firearms of multiple USPS employees.
- 38. Your affiant is requesting the subscriber information, call detail records, text message connection records, text message content information, specialized location records, cloud storage records for telephone number, and Timing Advance for Target Cell Phone #1, Target Phone #2, and Target Cell Phone #3 for the timeframe of October 25, 2022, at 12:00 a.m.(CST) to March 13, 2023 23, 2022 at 11:59 p.m. (CST).

#### IV. **CELL SITE DATA**

39. In my training and experience, I have learned that the Service Provider is a company that provides cellular telephone access to the general public. I also know that providers of cellular telephone service have technical capabilities that allow them to collect and generate information about the locations of the cellular telephones to which they provide service, including cell-site data, also known as "tower/face information" or "cell tower/sector records." Cell-site data identifies the "cell towers" (i.e., antenna towers covering specific geographic areas) that received a radio signal from the cellular telephone and, in some cases, the "sector" (i.e., faces of the towers) to which the telephone connected. These towers are often a half-mile or more apart, even in urban areas, and can be 10 or more miles apart in rural areas. Furthermore, the tower closest to a wireless device does not necessarily serve every call made to or from that device. Accordingly, cell-site data provides an approximate location of the cellular telephone but is typically less precise than other types of location information, such as E-911 Phase II data or Global Positioning Device ("GPS") data.

- 40. Based on my training and experience, I know Service Providers can collect cell-site data about Target Phone #1, Target Phone #2, and Target Phone #3. I also know that wireless providers such as the Service Provider typically collect and retain cell-site data pertaining to cellular phone to which they provide service in their normal course of business in order to use this information for various business-related purposes.
- 41. Based on my training and experience, I know that wireless providers such as the Service Provider typically collect and retain information about their subscribers in their normal course of business. This information can include basic personal information about the subscriber, such as name and address, and the method(s) of payment (such as credit card account number) provided by the subscriber to pay for wireless telephone service. I also know that wireless providers such as the Service Provider typically collect and retain information about their subscribers' use of the wireless service, such as records about calls or other communications sent or received by a particular phone and other transactional records, in their normal course of business. In my training and experience, this information may constitute evidence of the crimes under investigation because the information can be used to identify Target Cell Phone #1, Target

Phone #2, and Target cell Phone #3 user or users and may assist in the identification of coconspirators and/or victims.

#### V. **AUTHORIZATION REQUEST**

- 42. Based on the foregoing, I request that the Court issue the proposed search warrant, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 2703(c) and Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 41.
- 43. I further request that the Court direct Service Provider to disclose to the government any information described in Section I of Attachment B that is within its possession, custody, or control. Because the warrant will be served on the Service Provider, who will then compile the requested records at a time convenient to it, reasonable cause exists to permit the execution of the requested warrant at any time in the day or night.

## **ATTACHMENT A**

## **Property to Be Searched**

Records and information associated with the cellular telephone assigned call number 262-389-0018, the cellular telephone assigned call number 262-364-4059 and cellular telephone assigned call number 414-335-6028 (referred to in attachment B as "the Accounts"), that is stored at the premises controlled by Verizon wireless, a wireless telephone service provider headquartered at 180 Washington Valley Rd, Bedminster, NJ 07921.

#### ATTACHMENT B

## Particular Things to be Seized

#### I. Information to be Disclosed by the Provider

To the extent that the information described in Attachment A is within the possession, custody, or control of the Service Provider, including any information that has been deleted but is still available to the Service Provider or that has been preserved pursuant to a request made under 18 U.S.C. § 2703(f), the Service Provider is required to disclose to the government the following information pertaining to the Accounts listed in Attachment A for the following dates: October 25, 2022 through March 13, 2023:

- A. The following information about the customers or subscribers of the Accounts:
  - 1. Names (including subscriber names, user names, and screen names);
  - 2. Addresses (including mailing addresses, residential addresses, business addresses, and e-mail addresses);
  - 3. Local and long distance telephone connection records;
  - 4. Records of session times and durations, and the temporarily assigned network addresses (such as Internet Protocol ("IP") addresses) associated with those sessions:
  - 5. Length of service (including start date) and types of service utilized;
  - 6. Telephone or instrument numbers (including MAC addresses, Electronic Serial Numbers ("ESN"), Mobile Electronic Identity Numbers ("MEIN"), Mobile Equipment Identifier ("MEID"); Mobile Identification Number ("MIN"), Subscriber Identity Modules ("SIM"), Mobile Subscriber Integrated Services Digital Network Number ("MSISDN"); International Mobile Subscriber Identity Identifiers ("IMSI"), or International Mobile Equipment Identities ("IMEI");
  - 7. Other subscriber numbers or identities (including the registration Internet Protocol ("IP") address); and

- 8. Means and source of payment for such service (including any credit card or bank account number) and billing records.
- В. All records and other information (not including the contents of communications) relating to wire and electronic communications sent or received by the Account, including:
  - 1. the date and time of the communication, the method of the communication, and the source and destination of the communication (such as the source and destination telephone numbers (call detail records), email addresses, and IP addresses); and
  - 2. information regarding the cell tower and antenna face (also known as "sectors") through which the communications were sent and received, as well as per-call measurement data.
  - 3. per call measurement and timing advance data (PCMD, RTT, True Call, NELOS, or similar)

#### II. Information to be Seized by the Government

All information described above in Section I that constitutes evidence of violations of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1951 (Hobbs Act), Title 18, United States Code, Section 924(c) (use of a firearm during a crime of violence), and Title 18, United States Code, Section 371 (conspiracy), involving HUSSEIN HAJI, JESSIE COOK, and HURIA ABU, during the period of October 25, 2022, through March 13, 2023.

Law enforcement personnel (who may include, in addition to law enforcement officers and agents, attorneys for the government, attorney support staff, agency personnel assisting the government in this investigation, and outside technical experts under government control) are authorized to review the records produced by the Service Provider to locate the things particularly described in this Warrant.